

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph [0022] with the following amended paragraph [0022]:

[0022] Fig. 2 diagrammatically shows the introduction of the clamping force for clamping the receiver 5 on the structure in the retainer 3 on the structure. Identical components have the same reference characters as in Fig. 1. Transmission of the force K for introducing a clamping force between the support flange 51 and the retainer holder 3 on the structure preferably takes place by mechanical levers or push rods, but it could also take place hydraulically.

Please replace paragraph [0023] with the following amended paragraph [0023]:

[0023] The simplified partial view, shown in Fig. 3, corresponding to the line H-H III-III in Fig. 1 shows how the insertion pin 6 is secured in the receiver 5 on the structure by means of a U-shaped securing clamp 54. To this effect, anchorages 52, which may be upright are provided on the support flange 51. The anchorages 52 comprise flush boreholes through which the two U-limbs of the securing clamp 54 may be placed. Preferably, the diameter of the boreholes matches the limbs of the securing clamp 54 such that a clamping seat is achieved. However, it is also possible for the securing clamp 54 on the two ends of the U-limbs to also be secured against sliding from the anchorages 52. The spacing A between the U-limbs matches the diameter D of the base 66 of the insertion pin 6 such that it is not possible to pull the insertion trunnion out when the securing clamp is in place. Thus, even if the cylindrical body 56 of the receiver 5 on the structure were to be destroyed, either as a result of mechanical failure or as a result of a fire, the insertion pin 6 would be firmly held to the structure by the securing clamp 54. In one example, the securing clamp 54 and the anchorages 52 are preferably made from a metallic material, while the remaining components of the connection element are preferably made from a plastic material, wherein elastomers are particularly well suited. Instead of providing a U-shaped securing clamp 54, individual securing pins may be utilized. In one example, the U-shaped clamp is insertable into the upright anchorage such that a trunnion portion of the insertion pin is capable of being secured in a first recess.